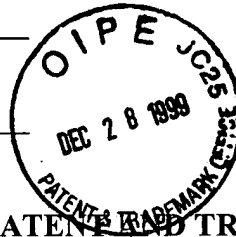


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In re application of:

MITSUHARA, et al.

Application No.: 08/805,813

Filed: February 26, 1997

For: PATHOGEN-RESISTANT  
PLANTS AND METHOD FOR  
PRODUCTION THEREOF

Examiner: A. Nelson

Art Unit: 1649

PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH  
EXTENSION OF TIME WITH FEE  
AUTHORIZATION

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Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorneys, hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents for a two-month extension of time from October 26, 1999 to December 26, 1999 in which to respond to the Office Action dated July 26, 1999. An appropriate response in the form of an Amendment accompanies this Petition.

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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee of \$380.00 under large entity status to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please also charge any additional fees remaining or credit any overpayment in this application to the above-referenced deposit account. This Petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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